IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 5, replace the paragraphs from line 1 to line 6 by the following:

--Y₁ is H, OH, Br, Cl, F, CN, CF₃, NO₂, N₃, OR₈, CO₂R₉, C₁₋₆ alkyl, NR₁₀R₁₁,

NHCOR₁₂,

 $NHCO_2R_{12}$, $CONR_{13}R_{14}$, or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$;

 $Y_2 \text{ is H, CF}_3, CO_2R_9, C_{l\text{-}6} \text{alkyl, NR}_{10}R_{11}, \text{NHCOR}_{12}, \text{NHCO}_2R_{12}, \text{CONR}_{13}R_{14}, \text{CH}_2\text{OH,}$ $CH_2OR_8, \underline{\text{or COCH}}_2R_9;$

 Y_3 is H, OH, Br, Cl, F, CN, CF₃, NO₂, N₃, OR₈, CO₂R₉, C₁₋₆ alkyl, NR₁₀R₁₁, NHCOR₁₂, NHCO₂R₁₂, CONR₁₃R₁₄, or CH₂(CH₂)_nY₂;--

Page 12, please replace the paragraphs from lines 1 to 23 with the following:

--X₁ is hydrogen, C₁₋₈ alkyl, C₃₋₈alkenyl, or C₃₋₈alkynyl;

 X_2 is hydrogen, C_{1-8} alkyl, C_{3-8} alkenyl, or C_{3-8} alkynyl;

or X_1 and X_2 together form =0, =S, or =NH;

 R_7 is H, $C_{1.8}$ alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , $NR_{10}R_{11}$, $NHCOR_{12}$, $NHCO_2R_{13}$, $CONR_{14}R_{15}$, $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$, or $C(=NH)NR_{16}R_{17}$.

 R_8 is H, $C_{1.8}$ alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , $CONR_{13}R_{14}$, or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_9 is H, $C_{1.8}$ alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$;

 R_{10} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_{11} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$,

 R_{12} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_{13} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_{14} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_{15} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

 R_{16} is H, C_{1-8} alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_{2:}$ and

 R_{17} is H, $C_{1.8}$ alkyl, CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 , or $CH_2(CH_2)_nY_2$.

Preferably, the compounds of the present invention are those represented by the formula I as shown above, wherein R_1 , R_4 , R_5 , Y_1 , Y_2 , Z, n, X_1 , X_2 , and R_7 - R_{17} are as indicated above;

Y, is H;

 R_2 and R_3 are each, independently, H, C_{1-8} alkyl, C_{3-8} alkenyl, C_{3-8} alkynyl, or CH_2 aryl substituted by one or more substituents Y_1 ; and--

Page 13, please replace the structures at the top of the page with the following:

$$\mathcal{B}^{3} \qquad \qquad \underbrace{ \begin{pmatrix} C \\ H_{2} \end{pmatrix}}_{1} Y_{2} \qquad \underbrace{ \begin{pmatrix} C \\ H_{2} \end{pmatrix}}_{1} \bigvee_{Y_{1}}$$

Page 13, please replace the paragraph at lines 10-11 with the following:

 \mathcal{O} 4 --Y₂ is H, CF₃, CO₂R₉, C₁₋₆ alkyl, NR₁₀R₁₁, NHCOR₁₂, NHCO₂R₁₂, CONR₁₃R₁₄, CH₂OH, CH₂OR₈, or COCH₂R₉;--

Page 13, please replace the paragraph at line 17 with the following:

3 -- R₅ is H, C₁₋₈ alkyl, or CH₂CO₂C₁₋₈ alkyl;--

Page 14, please replace the paragraph at lines 2-3 with the following:

 $\beta \ \ \zeta = \frac{\text{---Y}_2 \text{ is } \text{H, CF}_3, \text{CO}_2\text{R}_9, \text{C}_{1\text{-}6} \text{ alkyl, NR}_{10}\text{R}_{11}, \text{NHCOR}_{12}, \text{NHCO}_2\text{R}_{12}, \text{CONR}_{13}\text{R}_{14},}{\text{CH}_2\text{OH, CH}_2\text{OR}_8, \text{or COCH}_2\text{R}_9;\text{--}}$

Page 14, please replace the paragraph at lines 6-7 with the following:

-- R_4 is $C_{1.8}$ alkyl, or $CO_2C_{1.8}$ alkyl, and the stereocenter adjacent to R_4 has a configuration of (S);--